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NON WORKING OF TELEPHONE EXCHANGES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the several Telephone Exchanges especially Bithauli and Darbhanga are not working for the last one year but the monthly rent is being charged from the subscribers;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the reason for not returning or adjusting the monthly rent so charged in the absence of telephone facility?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) & (b) No, Sir.In Bihar Telecom Circle, 82 telephone connections at Bithauli Exchange were affected for average period of three months due to cable damage because of road construction activity. Monthly rent for these connections have been waived off for the said period.However, no such type of incidence has occurred in Darbhanga exchange.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) & (b) above.